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Following on the heels of the successful *Sand in My Bra and Other Misadventures: Funny Women Write from the Road* comes another collection of hilarious travel stories by women. From America to Australia to everywhere in between, the true stories in *Whose Panties are These?* will have you shaking your head in disbelief and rolling in the aisles.

- Escape to New York for the wax job of your life and "Blame It on Rio" with Cynthia Barnes
- Fly with "Sex in the City" writer Cindy Chupack and "The Mile High and Dry Club" and be glad you weren't there with her
- Get on the "Case of the Date Post Mortem" with Colette O'Connor and find out what really happened
- Go "Knocking on Heaven's Door" with Anne Lamott and discover why sometimes it helps to "get religion"
- Try to put on weight with Wendy Soref in Senegal where "Small Butts" are an embarrassment to women and a turnoff to men
- Take a sidekick to Vienna with Jessica Maxwell and see how the Austrians handle the "Cowboy Waltz" ...and much more

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Jennifer says

Collection of short stories about women's travelling misadventures. Very poorly written, not at all funny and very cumbersome to read. Stories such as getting ants in their pants, missing the cable car down from the Great Wall of China, getting felt up on a subway in Japan and having an affair on a business trip in Miami. Not real adventures, not even funny mishaps. It was overly written with too many unnecessary metaphors and forced wit.

Michelle says

Each chapter is from a different author who shares a personal story of unlikely happenings or personal revelations during travel. With a title describing "misadventures from funny women" I expected a little more humor from this book. Some of the essays were an absolute riot, others were just dull as could be. Some of the reflections provided are poignant and it's a bit of a disservice to them to have them grouped under such a title because the lessons might be lost on some readers only looking for comedy.

I don't regret reading it but I wish I had checked it out from the library rather than spending money on it.

Jody says

Being in a constant state of wanderlust, I always enjoy reading & listening to stories of travel. This book offers great short essays of a variety of "circumstances" encountered while travelling, and I enjoyed every one of them!

Christina says

Collection of short, light-hearted travel stories by women. All the stories were pretty much equally average, though there was some interesting insight into other cultures. Some of the bios read more like resumes. The only story that stood out was an excerpt from the book "No Touch Monkey! And Other Travelers' Lessons Learned Too Late" by Ayun Halliday. The rest of the stories were generally unremarkable as far as writing, one author sounded very much like another. I think it made me chuckle twice, but other than that I barely cracked a smile. Humor is tough, I know, but these stories were just a bit too insipid.

Nicole says

A short collection of stories of female travelers, each chapter a different story relaying an experience that at the time was probably not quite as funny as the present retelling. More than just tales of missing a bus, these

are female-centric stories: attempting to purchase a new pair of underwear in an Indian market where all of the vendors appear to be involved in finding the American-sized item, a need to obtain hemorrhoid cream from a confused pharmacist complete with descriptive body language and a hysterical boyfriend in the aisles, and unexpected arousal receiving a badly needed hamam in Turkey. For any lady traveler who experienced her own unexpected woes while on the road, this novel will entertain and amuse.

Jeannie says

This is the second book in this series I have read...wasn't the best, wasn't the worst. Some of the stories are laugh out loud hilarious, some just so so...but I enjoyed them all..cause these writers have a way of putting you in their shoes..and hey anytime I can step out of mine, I'm a happy camper. All in all another enjoyable book for anyone who likes this genre. Which is me!

Sarah says

I more than "didn't like" this book; this book is so horrible that I actually ripped it half, down the spine. Books are sacred to me, so that is a radical action, believe me. This book was so obnoxious and ethnocentric; it's ONLY merit is for fodder for a study on how exploitative and insipid travel writing can be, but at this point in my life I couldn't be bothered to finish it even to analyze it. I'd give a negative rating if I could.

Clare says

Women submitted stories from their travels around the world and Jennifer Leo (editor) compiled the best of the submissions. Several are very funny! All show you something new about a country and can whet your appetite if you've been wanting to be a globe trotter. I learned something new about many cultures from these anecdotal tales.

Laura says

I don't read a lot of short stories. And I was reminded as to why with this book. It always seems that some of the stories are amazing, some are ok, and others just fall flat.

Whose Panties Are These? is a novel of collected stories from women who travel. They are funny, enlightening, enriching, traumatizing, and/or shocking. Most recount a particular moment from the writers' travels and you can tell that others are just a short snippet of a larger piece of work. I tended to find that the longer the story was, the more I enjoyed it. The short 3-4 pagers just didn't give me enough time to really relate to the women.

Best:

Underwear and Tear

Where the Size of Your Butt Matters

Hemorrhoids in Holland

Fruit Bats and Healers
Entomology and Earplugs

Most of the others were nice to read and just a few were boring but I still enjoyed the book. And it was easy to read while I was traveling. I was always near a stopping point and that was nice.

I bought this book at a half-price used book store. And if you see one of Jennifer Leo's books there, I would definitely say it's worth a try.

Becky Straub says

Another funny collection of travel stories. These were a bit grosser and more shocking. A great quote from the editor: "There is a big difference between misadventurists and whiners." May I always approach travel follies as a misadventurist. I must work on making travel happen to me. Even if only finding adventure in small ways.

Stephanie says

Not as funny as I Hope They Serve Beer in Hell, but definitely more appropriate for sharing with your seatmate while on the way to the zoo with your class. Has some good giggles about women and their traveling mishaps. My favorite of which involves a sharp burning sensation in the bits and pieces and the surrounding women smiling in understanding and breathing the word "hormigas."

Sarah says

eh, an OK book if you want a mindless read. Another short story book all about travel misadventures around the world. (they are not all about underwear, but some are) Some of them were funny, but those were all at the start of the book. Some of the stories were gross, or just wierd.

My favorite was one of the first stories where an american woman was trying to buy underwear in a rural, small Indian town.

Melissa says

Ok, so the only reason I'm reading this book (and the 3rd one in the series) is because they were lent to me and I was told I have to read them. Otherwise, after the first book in this series, Sand in My Bra, I would have just stopped as I did not enjoy it. This one, while a little better, still wasn't that great.

The whole premise of these books is that they are funny travel narratives written by women. This means that these stories take place all over the world and even in the United States for different destinations. They can range from stories about air travel, to mixing with the locals, to other embarrassing happenstances. A great example would be the story in here about the woman who loves to get Chinese Hair Washes. After reading

about how amazing these are, and cheap, for what equals out to the best massage of your life, I now have a goal to go to China sometime and try this out. There's also the women whose family wandered onto the wrong part of the beach while traveling and yet another who had some interesting experiences with a Japanese subway line.

But these are supposed to be humorous anecdotes and sadly, the vast majority were not only not funny, but not even entertaining. And since it is also supposed to be a travel themed book, many of these events could have happened anywhere and the place wasn't even relevant, a problem the first book had as well. The stories mainly focus around the authors themselves so there is no good chance to really hear about any of the locals or sometimes even the place they are visiting. It kind of makes traveling a moot point when you're more worried about your underwear than the scenery.

The writing is ok for some, terrible for others, with a few gleaming standouts. The humor didn't come across well and a lot of it was pretty wordy for the short story format, especially when it was an uninteresting topic to begin with. There are a lot of curse words and descriptions of undergarments and body parts, so if this is not your thing, steer clear. I think the only thing that really skeeved me out though was the story of the lady with a bug in her ear. I think I might have nightmares now. Luckily though, for as much as I didn't enjoy reading this book, it was the short story format that kept me from throwing it across the room. You never had to stick with one story for very long.

Not the best and there are certainly funnier books out there. There are also better travel books out there so both categories could be improved on. Hopefully the 3rd book in the series is a little better.

Whose Panties are These?

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Review by M. Reynard 2011

Karen Germain says

I learned my lesson...it's really isn't a good idea to judge a book by it's cover. I saw this book many times, before purchasing it and finally just had to get it, because the picture on the cover made me laugh. The back cover promised hilarious travel misadventures...the picture on the cover is the funniest thing about the book.

Although the book had many interesting travel stories, few were as funny as the book promised. It may have had many good qualities, but the book just didn't deliver in the way I was expecting. The picture on the cover still gets me though!

Carol Brawn says

Neither entertaining nor well-written. I only read halfway before abandoning it. Life's too short to read books like this.

